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JOINT USNATO AND USEC MESSAGE

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1. USNATO AND USEC WELCOME PROSPECT OF VISIT BY
SENATOR MORGAN AND STAFF TO BRUSSELS.

2. OCTOBER 13-18 PERIOD SHOULD FIND MOST NATO
AND EEC SENIORS IN BRUSSELS. WHILE THERE WILL BE
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COMPETING DEMANDS AS DISCUSSED BELOW, WE BELIEVE
THAT SUITABLE PROGRAMS WILL BE POSSIBLE WHICH WILL
CONTRIBUTE TO ACCOMPLISHMENT OF GOALS OF GROUP'S
EUROPEAN VISIT. US POLAD AT SHAPE HAS BEEN
CONSULTED IN THIS CONNECTION.

3. PENDING ADVICE AS TO GROUP'S EXACT ITINERARY,

PROGRAM ALONG FOLLOWING LINES RECOMMENDS SELF:

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16 - BRIEFINGS AT USEC AND AT EEC.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 (MORNING) MEETINGS AT USNATO AND WITH NATO INTERNATIONAL STAFF; (AFTERNOON) MEETINGS AT SHAPE.

4. DEPENDING ON BRUSSELS, ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 AND WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18 MAY PROVIDE FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEETINGS WITHIN EEC - NATO FRAMEWORK.

5. WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 14 AND 15 WOULD PROVIDE TIME FOR TRAVEL AND OBSERVATION WITHIN BELGIUM.

6. "STADIS" CONTROL ON REFTTEL HAS LIMITED DISCUSSION ON SHAPE VISIT TO THAT BETWEEN USNATO AND US POLAD SHAPE. LATTER, ON BASIS CURRENT INFORMATION, CONSIDERS AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 17 TO BE BEST TIME FOR VISIT. GENERAL HAIG IS EXPECTED TO BE AT SHAPE AT THAT TIME. OCTOBER 18 WOULD NOT BE SUCH A GOOD DAY IN LATTER REGARD.

7. USEC CONSIDERS THAT GROUP COULD USEFULLY SPEND AT LEAST ONE FULL DAY IN BRIEFINGS AT USEC AND EC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS. AMONG TOPICS WHICH COULD BE TAKEN UP WOULD BE THE EC IN EUROPEAN AND WORLD AFFAIRS; UNITED STATES - EC RELATIONS WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO SUCH CURRENT WORLD SALIENT ISSUES AS MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, ECONOMIC GROWTH, AND EC EFFORTS TO FORGE A COMMON MONETARY POLICY. DURING PROPOSED VISIT DATES, SENIOR EC OFFICIALS WILL BE IN THROES OF EITHER PREPARATION FOR OR PARTICIPATION IN IMPORTANT EC COUNCIL MEETINGS (FINANCE MINISTERS OCTOBER 16 AND FOREIGN MINISTERS OCTOBER 17). USEC HOPES HOWEVER, TO BE ABLE TO ARRANGE FOR APPROPRIATE EEC OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS ISSUES OF INTEREST WITH THIS GROUP. AMBASSADOR HINTON WOULD RECEIVE GROUP.

8. SIMILARLY THERE WILL BE CONCENTRATION AT NATO ON OCTOBER 16 AND 17 PLENARY MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHALLENGES OF MODERN SOCIETY (CCMS) AND OCTOBER 18-19 MEETINGS OF NUCLEAR PLANNING GROUP. AMBASSADOR BENNETT AND, HOPEFULLY, SYG LUNS (NOW ON LEAVE) WOULD RECEIVE GROUP.

9. TO GUARD AGAINST POSSIBILITY OF TIGHT HOTEL
SITUATION IN MID-OCTOBER, EMBASSY BRUSSELS JOINT
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES IS MAKING TENTATIVE HOTEL
RESERVATIONS FOR GROUP ALONG GUIDELINES SET FORTH
IN PARA 5 REFTTEL. BENNETT

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